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899 NORTH CAPITOL ST. NE– 2ND FLR
WASHINGTON, DC 20002

May 22, 2013

10:30am-11:30pm

**BOARD OF MEDICINE
OPEN SESSION MINUTES**

BoMed Mission Statement:

"To **protect** and enhance the health, safety, and well-being of District of Columbia residents by **promoting** evidence-based best practices in health regulation, high standards of quality care and implementing policies that **prevent** adverse events."



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BOARD MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE:

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| BOARD MEMBERS: | | |
| | JANIS ORLOWSKI, MD (JO) | |
| | MARC RANKIN, MD (MR) | Absent |
| | ANITRA DENSON, MD (AD) | |
| | LAWRENCE MANNING, MD (LM) | |
| | ANDREA ANDERSON, MD (AA) | |
| | THOMAS DAWSON, ESQ. (TD) | |
| | LISA FITZPATRICK, MD (LF) | |
| | BRENDAN FURLONG, MD (BF) | |
| | BERNARD ARONS, MD (BA) | |
| | JEFFREY SMITH, MD (JS) | |
| | KELLY ANN COLDEN, MD (KC) | |
| | HOWARD LIEBERS, MPH (HL) | |
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| STAFF: | JACQUELINE WATSON, DO, MBA – EXEC. DIRECTOR | |
| | LISA ROBINSON – HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST | |
| | AISHA WILLIAMS – HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST | |
| | DENIZ SOYER, HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST | |
| | EMILIA MORAN – INVESTIGATOR | |
| | DIANE MOORER – IT SUPPORT | |
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| LEGAL STAFF: | BRIAN KIM, ESQ. – BOARD ATTORNEY ADVISOR | |
| | AJAY GOHIL, ESQ. – ASST. BOARD ATTORNEY ADVISOR | |
| | CARL WARD, ESQ. – ASST. BOARD ATTORNEY ADVISOR | |

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| OS-13-035 ALL | <p><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES</u></p> <p>The Board considered the Open Session minutes of April 24, 2013.</p> <p>Motion: Approve. Seconded Passed unanimously</p> | |
| OS-13-036 ALL | <p><u>OPEN CONSENT AGENDA</u></p> <p>The Board considered the current May 22, 2013 Open Consent Agenda.</p> <p>Motion: Approve. Seconded Passed unanimously</p> | |
| OS-13-037 ALL | <p><u>BOARD/DEPARTMENT's REPORT</u></p> <p>In this segment, discussion can be held on issues and/or activities pertaining to the activities of the Board/Department. Presenters may be members of the Board, staff, or public.</p> <p><u>A. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. BoMed Licensing Stats The ED reported 11,584 licensees under the Board's purview; 9,161 MD/DOs; 986 MTL 1.As; 335 MTL 1.Bs; 26 MTL Type 2; 242 MT Registrants; 131 ACs; 27 NDs; 524 PAs; 62 Polysoms; 62 SAs; 28 AAs.2. BoMed Calendar The ED reminded the Board that the next meetings will be 6/13 and 6/26.3. Symposium – 9/25/13 – GWU Jack Morton Auditorium The ED reminded the Board of the symposium date and location. Also that the time will be 8am to 2pm. She | |



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| | <p>requested assistance from Board Chair to once again facilitate the CME process for attendees.</p> <p>4. FYI articles*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Doctors troubled by FTC's role in scope-of-practice issue.b) Policies Targeted Toward Aging Physicians Ma Keep Doctors Working Longer, Smarterc) Qualifications of medical expert witnesses come under fired) EHR design flaws causing doctors to revert to papere) Doctors urged to pause before they post, text <p><u>B. BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT</u> N/A</p> | |
| OS-13-038 ALL | <p><u>SURGICAL ASSISTANTS</u></p> <p>FYI -Consideration of the concern expressed by JP Flagg, II, CSA that changes to the Surgical Assistant regulations and requirements would lower the clinical requirements and allow the CSFA to circumvent the requirements established by the DC Board of Medicine.</p> <p>[See Addendum section below]</p> | |
| OS-13-039 ALL | <p><u>AFFILIATED MONITORS</u></p> <p>FYI – The Board considered the letter announcing their new website and the expansion of their services. FYI only.</p> | |
| OS-13-040 ALL | <p><u>FSMB HOUSE OF DELEGATES</u></p> <p>FYI – The Board considered of the summary of actions taken by the 2013 House of Delegates, and their updated Bylaws. FYI only.</p> | |



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OPEN SESSION ADDENDUM:

ES-13-041

ALL

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Dr. Goetchus of Unity Health Care – discussion on Physicians and Home Health Aid Referral Concerns

Dr. Goetchus shared a concern regarding home health agencies that are recruiting patients by having doctors sign a form to agree to seven 8 hour days of care. They are given \$100 cash if they sign. Physicians in the District are working with these home health agencies and are involved in the signing of the forms. The US Attorney's Office, the FBI, and other entities are already investigating the matter, and have found that most of the targeted patients do not even need the care. The Chair expressed concern over this information, and stated the Board will look into it.

Also discussed was the development of a new residency program at Unity Health Center, and the MTL licenses that will be needed for those planning to enroll. BoMed staff will coordinate with Unity in amending the MTL application and getting the trainees licensed.

2. JP Flagg, II, CSA – to discuss changes to the Surgical Assistant regulations and requirements that would lower the clinical requirements and allow the CSFA to circumvent the requirements established by the DC Board of Medicine.

Mr. Flagg presented a concern regarding an amendment to the Surgical Assistant regulations that poses a problem for the SA community. He represents the National Surgical Assistant Association (NSAA), which he feels has the highest bar regarding examinations and



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requirements; however there is also the American Board of Surgical Assistants (ABSA) and the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (NBSTSA). He requested that the Board investigate these entities, as their credentials need to be scrutinized. The Chair informed Mr. Flagg that this matter should be reviewed by the SA advisory committee, however it currently has no members. Mr. Flagg offered his services and stated he would be willing to serve on the committee.

Additional Discussion:

Dee Dee Herman of the Physician Assistant Advisory Committee inquired about the status of the issues brought to the Board previously regarding the changes made to the PA regulations. The Chair explained that the Board missed a meeting due to their strategic planning retreat, but intends to review it and get back to her.

Present during open session was also Ron King, Sr. Policy Advisor for Councilmember Yvette Alexander.

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APPROVED CLEAN APPLICATIONS

OC-13-005 - APPROVED APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

National Board Applicants:

The following applicants were approved based on successful completion of the examination administered by the National Board of Medical Examiners (NBME) or the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners (NBOME).

NBME:

Waletzky, Jeremy
Corriveau, Stephane
Gyves-Ray, Katherine
Hawkins Claude

NBOME:

Pilgrim, Nathan
Rusilko, Paul
Holliday, Ruth

FLEX Examination:

The following applicants were licensed based on successful completion of the FLEX examination.

Khallur, Edgar

USMLE Applicants:

The following applicants were approved based on successful completion of the USMLE examination:

Took USMLE in D.C.



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N/A

Took USMLE Outside of D.C.

Wagner, Andrew
Suffredini, Dante
Stinson, Ellana
Shah, Namrata
Sarmiento, Mauro
Halabi, Safwan
Litvak, Standley
Gupta, Pooja
Hendley, Yolanda
Kimlin, Edward
Jenis, Andrew
Williams, Sonia
Plumser, Polina
Pecker, Lydia
Duong, Syki
Laul, Simon
Mehta, Nehal
Schumacher, Heidi
Azarion, Allan
Duggan, Peter
Casey, Rachel
Behrley, Allison
Barrett, Martha
Ayana, Ribka
Taheri, June
Ryles, Ashley
Raybould, Jillian
Camden, Jeremy
Wen, Leana
Woodford, Nicholas
Diallo, Mofya
Gess, Adam



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Giannakis, Dimitrios
Hackett, Alyssa
Honigman, Leah
Knutsen, Elisa
Halsted, Mark
Vazquez-Colon, Carol
Jassal, Ritka
Agarwal-Oberoi, Puneet
Fordham, Morgan
Durrani, Sarfraz
Cohen, Jonathan
Choudhri, Tina
Chan Seay, Rachel
Brinster, Nooshin
Brudno, Jennifer
Amjad, Faria
Faucett, Scott
Roesch, Erin
Rhee, Sunny
Nimkey, Nina
Latif, Finza
Cuschieri, Justin
Amer, Muhammad
LeBlanc, Louis
Mareedu, Jyotsna
Wubiee, Firew
Nguyen, Brian
Mwakingwe, Agnes
Huppmann, Alison
Tucker, Alicia
Thompson, Derek

Bradford, Diana
Cox, William
Cabey, Whitney
Bryan, Kingsley



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Batra, Vivek
Burgula, Swathi
Asay, Daniel
Ferzli, Myriam
Ferguson, Brandy
Winer, Shoshana
Von Geldern, Gloria
Rusanov, Alexander
Bonilla-Perez, Juan

Endorsement:

N/A

Temporary Licenses (90-day)

Step 3

N/A

Took Combo:

N/A

LMCC (Licentiate of the Medical Council of Canada):

Madar, Merci

Complex:

Patel, Falguni
Flynn, Lauren
Zilberman, Dimitry



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State Constructed:

N/A

Reinstatement Applicants:

Higgins, William
Woel, Roxanne
Blue-bond-Langer, Rachel
Shapiro, Adam

Reactivation Applicants:

N/A

Acupuncturist:

The following applicant was approved for an acupuncturist license and reinstatement (NCCAOM).

N/A

Physician Assistants:

The following applicants were approved for physician assistant licenses (NCCPA).

Brown, Lisa
Tran, Hanh
Jowett, Julia
Bortner, Stephanie
Hooker, Darryl
McClain, Jenna



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Surgical Assistants:

The following applicants were approved for surgical assistant licenses:

N/A

Anesthesiology Assistants:

The following applicant was approved for anesthesiologist assistant licenses:

N/A

Naturopathic Physician:

The following applicant was approved for a naturopathic physician license (NPLEX).

Ledenac, Marianna

Eminence I:

N/A

Eminence II:

N/A

Polysomnographers:

N/A

Alternative Pathway:

N/A




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Temporary "Affiliated With":

Kindred-Weaver, Chesahna
Rosenstein, Charles C.

Approved:


Janis Orlowski, M.D. – Board Chairperson

7.31.13
Date

Submitted by: HLS Lisa Robinson

This ends the Open Session Minutes.